

SENATE BILL 279
By McNally

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 17, Chapter 4
and Title 17, Chapter 1, relative to the election of appellate
judges.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 17-1-103, is amended by deleting the
section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Justices of the supreme court shall be elected by the qualified voters of the state
at large, in compliance with the requirements of § 16-3-101. Judges of the court of
appeals shall be elected by the qualified voters of the state at large, in compliance with
the requirements of § 16-4-102. Judges of the court of criminal appeals shall be elected
by the qualified voters of the state at large, in compliance with the requirements of § 16-
5-102. Chancellors, circuit judges, and judges of special courts shall be elected by the
qualified voters of the respective judicial districts, and special judicial districts.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 17, Chapter 4, is amended by deleting
Parts 1 and 2.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect September 1, 2005, and shall apply to all judicial
elections in August 2006.